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Inventor(s): Ronald A. Askeland, et al.

Confirmation No.: 8222

Application No.: 10/676,673

Examiner: Lam S. Nguyen

Filing Date: October 1, 2003

Group Art Unit: 2853

Title: **A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR USING LOWER DATA RATES FOR PRINTHEADS WITH CLOSELY SPACED NOZZLES**Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner For Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114**

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See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office**Submission under 37 CFR 1.114**☐ Previously submitted☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
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